issue it in the name *ot* the discipli- I na,y authority. It is not correct to I say tha, faulty case was iniuaUd in the firs' instance. Hence no action against the concerned officials for initiating the case was, considered necessary.

Transparency in International business transactions

2588. SHRI SAN J AY DALMIA: *WBt* the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have taken fresh initiatives in their flight to curb corruption, th ough formulating effective laws, policies and anti-corruption programmes, with nation il and international cooperation;

(b) if so, the details thereof,

(c) the steps propsoed to enhance transparency and accountability in international business transactions and public administration; and

(d) whether similar measures being taken in various States have been reviewed recently for sharper focus in dealing with the problems more effectively'

THE MINISTER Or STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PVBUC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S R BALASUBRAMONIYAN. The Government in fully there to the need l,, eradicat* cor. motion at all levels of adminlttra-•tee. and In csmniitea to ensure , rte»n edmiawration The potirie, fa Ais retard here been fo-mutated ther eonftottoueJy monitor and and saasnnij l,, order | rmlte effective to the eh«r>in« enviroment The canral l no 0*me»le'e. the Central Ba-eeu swest'sssttoB, the hrfrroal fM lance met up . which are involved in the taik, checking corruption through a ft p.onged strategy of p.eventivet lance, surveillance and deteciion, deterrent punitive action. B«a continuous eSorts are made fj time to time to fo.mulate poi) and enter into bilateral arras, ments for international cooperj: to curb trans-national corrupt The Interpol is actively playing role in this regard. Furthered the Narcotics Control Bureau in role as nodal agency to coordi^ national and international anti-t cotics law enforcement, has a r lance set-up to investigate all *a* pi ints of corruption and malpt tices against NCB officers.

With a view to eradicating corn' Hon from public life, the Pmtssl of Corruption Act was originally i acted in 1947. This Act has tut! bee, strengthened by the enactn of the Prevention of Corruption J 1988, which i, more comprehew The Act of 1988 provides for:—

(i) Widening the scope of nition of the tern "Public v nt", including therein the *4* bearers of registered Cooper Societies engaged in Agricul*Indust-y, Trad« and Banking

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malady of corruption from public life and Punish those woh juilty. In order to look into «he allegations o* corruption against high pub-uc functionaries, a Lok Pal Bill has J te«n introduced in the Pailrament on 13th September, 1996. It had been referred to the Department-related Parliamentary Sianding Committee on Home Affairs for examination and report, which has been received by the Government. To en sme greater transparency the Ministries/Departments of the Government of India have been requested to initiate steps for providing greater access to information in the organisations under their charge.

(d) The various aspects of Effective and Responsive Government were discussed in the Conference of Chief Ministers of States/UTs held on 24.5.97, with emphasis on thtee themes namly, accountable and ci'i *en friendly Government, transparency and right to informat on and the Performance and integriiy of the Public services.

Clarification of the term central antonomous body

»87. SHRl SANJAY NIRUPAM. l the PRIME MINISTER be plea-

d '0 refer to answer to Unstarred .on 3558 given in the Rajya state on the 8 th may 1997 an Central "™ow Body for ,he purpose of Morning/ service for pension on ersonnel between a Government Department and central Aumnomous Body under dated 29th August. nderstood in terms of bromation given under O.M. No. 4

(b)whertehr the clarifiation of the tese ventral asumouse body 1987 is in relation to the term "Central Autonomous Body" as used in used in the Ministry of Finance O.M. No. 26(18) EV(B)/75 dated the 8th April, 1976?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PEH SIONS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI S. R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The purport of this part of the Question is not clear. The policy regarding counting of P3st service on mobility of personnel between Central Government Departments and Central Autonomous Bodies, laid down in orders dated 29.8.1984 is self-contained and has been well defined The definition of Central Autonomous Body has been further clarfied in O M dated 313-1987. Organisations like public sector banks/ Insurance Corporation were treated as Central Autonomous Bodies for the li-nitr-d purpose of payment of prorata pensionary benefits to Central Govemmem employees moving to these oreanisationj. vide O.M. No. 4'8'84 P&PW dated 14 5 198« The polir-y laid down in the matter Is clear and unambiguous.

Transfer of C. B L Officer of special Inveii'irrtioii team probing bofors case

2588 SHRI K R MALKANI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleated to State:

(a) whether Government have ' B M Ozas book rs The Ambassador'1 Evidence' on the Bofo-s l r*-c which appeared - dated the 8th July.

(b) what is Government's naaeticat lo these revelations;

(c) whit is the- action taken and or prooe*edov taken In the Mt-. rer by Government: